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Subject:

Transmittal of Application for United States Letters Patent

Attorney Docket No. 37942-1

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventors:

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Entitled:

DEVICES AND METHODS FOR EXTRACTION, TRANSPORTATION

AND/OR RELEASE OF MATERIAL

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

| | No. Filed | No. Extra | Small Entity Fee | | Large Entity Fee | |
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| Basic Fee | | | | \$385.00 | | \$770.00 |
| Total Claims | 47-20 = | 27 | x \$9= | \$243.00 | x \$86 | |
| Ind. Claims | 6-3 = | 3 | x \$43= | \$129.00 | x \$18 | |
| Mult. Ind. Claims | | | + 145= | | =290 | • |
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Enclosed are the following:

- 1. 51 pages of specification, claims and abstract;
- 2. 9 pages of drawings:
- 3. Originally Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition; and
- 4. Check in the amount of \$757.00 to cover filing fees.

In addition, Disclosure Document No. 520209 entitled "Method and Apparatus to Remove Mixture" and received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 21, 2002 is hereby referenced in connection with the instant application.

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It is respectfully requested that the Commissioner accord the enclosed patent application a filing date and serial number.

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Respectfully submitted,

Mitchell, Silberberg & Knupp LLP

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